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Week ended December 26. Two British steamships and the United States light-house fleet, comprising 6 vessels, were granted bills of health. The steamships were fumigated. The aggregate personnel of the merchant vessels was composed of 178 members of crews, 64 cabin and 60 steerage passengers.

The following is the latest report on plague in Peru received from the Director de Salubridad Publica:

Locality.	Cases, Dec. 4.	New.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining, Dec. 17.
Lima	12	9	5	3	13
Callao	1				1
Trujillo (city).....	31	5	11	6	44
Trujillo (country).....		25			
Chepen	8	2	5	1	4
Lambayeque	1		1		
San Pedro	9	6	2	4	9
Chiclayo	3	3	1	2	3
Ferreñafe	2	2	2		2
Eten (city)	1	2	1	2	
Mollendo	1				1
Hacienda Oyotun	4				4
Paíta		3		2	1
Piura		3			3
Catacaos		3			3

No new case of plague has been reported at Callao since November 16.

Three patients with smallpox are isolated in the lazaretto at Lima.

Bills of health report 2 cases of bubonic plague in the lazaretto at Iquique December 13. There has been 1 new case in two weeks.

RUSSIA.

Report from Libau—Status of cholera at St. Petersburg—Cholera present in only two other localities in Russia—Water supply of St. Petersburg—Typhus fever at Kief—Examination of emigrants.

Acting Assistant Surgeon De Forrest reports, January 1:

Cholera cases and deaths at St. Petersburg.

	Cases.	Deaths.		Cases.	Deaths.
December 23.....	15	4	December 28 (no report)		
December 24 (no report)			December 29.....	20	4
December 25.....	31	13	December 30.....	21	7
December 26.....	19	2	December 31.....	24	6
December 27.....	14	7			

Cholera reported at other localities: Erivan, December 15–20, 7 cases, 6 deaths; Jekaterinaslav, December 25, 1 new case.

The water supply of St. Petersburg is taken from the river Neva above the city and is polluted at points higher up the river.

The authorities at Moscow are reorganizing their medical forces in preparation for a renewal of the cholera epidemic in the spring.

The epidemic of typhus fever at Kief has reached enormous proportions. The number of cases is not reported.

The steamship *Estonia* left Libau for New York December 29 with 256 passengers, after inspection.